

Amendments to the Specification:

On page 28, please replace the paragraph beginning on line 14 with the following amended paragraph:

The dripping nozzle device ~~[[4]]~~ 2 has several nozzles, for example four nozzles as shown in Figure 1, and a single vibrator 5 as shown in Figure 2. In more detail, as shown in Figure 2, the dripping nozzle device 2 has four nozzles 4, all of which ~~[[has]]~~ have the same shape of a cylindrical tube, and which four nozzles are vertically arranged at equal spaces with being parallel to each other; a holder 6 for holding the nozzles 4; a holding rod 7 that holds the upper ends of the respective nozzles 4 at the lower end thereof; a vibrator 5 for giving vertical vibration to the nozzles 4 through the holding rod 7; and feedstock liquid supplying pipes 8, an example of the feedstock liquid transferring passage, connected with each of the nozzles 4.

Please replace the third paragraph on page 35 with the following amended paragraph:

The flow-regulating valve 14 is capable of ~~control~~ controlling the flow rate so that the volumes of the feedstock liquid being sent to the respective nozzles are the same, and therefore the employment of this valve is preferable.